



September 5, 2017

The Honorable Rob Bonta
Member, California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2148
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Assembly Bill 1479 – REMOVAL OF OPPOSITION
As Amended September 1, 2017**

Dear Assembly Member Bonta:

On behalf of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), the Urban Counties of California (UCC), and the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC), we are removing our opposition to your Assembly Bill 1479, as amended on September 1, 2017. AB 1479 proposes a number of revisions to the Public Records Act in light of allegations that some municipalities delay or withhold public documents from public viewing.

The recent amendments to AB 1479 eliminate the “penalties section,” a section of the bill which caused much consternation amongst our respective members. We appreciate this amendment as it addresses the primary concern we had with the previous version.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding our revised position for AB 1479, please contact Jolena Voorhis with UCC at (916) 327-7531, Dorothy Johnson with CSAC at (916) 327-7500 or Paul A. Smith with RCRC at (916) 447-4806.

Sincerely,

DOROTHY JOHNSON
Legislative Representative
CSAC

JOLENA L. VOORHIS
Executive Director
UCC

PAUL A. SMITH
Vice President Government Affairs
RCRC